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NEW 'PACK & PADDLE' PROGRAM LAUNCHED AT OWASIPPE

Michigan, the nation's water wonderland, has historically been one of America's finest high adventure areas for Scouts and Explorers. In the northwestern section of the lower peninsula, some of the country's finest canoe and trail routes await the adventuresome Scouts of Chicagoland.

Owasippe Scout Reservation is an integral part of this rugged adventure land. As an expanded program opportunity for 1972, Owasippe will launch a new "Pack & Paddle" trail program.

The "Pack & Paddle" trail program is an opportunity for every Scout, regardless of his Scouting experience level, to have the opportunity to participate in a trail experience while at camp.

A trail experience could be from a minimum of a few hours hiking the trails of Owasippe to a high adventure of a week or more on the trail or canoe routes of this fabled land.

Hiking routes are mapped and marked throughout the reservation and instruction and assistance are offered for longer hike routes.

Canoe routes are available on the White, Pine and Muskegon Rivers.

"Pack and Paddle" trips may be arranged to anywhere from one to ten days in duration. Information regarding the "Pack & Paddle" program is available through your camping service office.

OLDER BOY OPPORTUNITIES 1972

That special opportunity for older Scouts to expand their knowledge and experience in aquatics and leadership training skills will be made available at Owasippe in 1972.

Aquatic Training Camp, July 30 through August 12, will offer advanced aquatic skills training, utilizing the finest of American Red Cross and BSA water activities to include all aquatic merit badges, Scout lifeguard, ARC Junior and Senior lifesaving, small craft handling and other related aquatic activities.

Registration is by individuals 13 years of age and older - First Class Scout or Explorer with unit approval.

This camp is limited to 32 participants, 13 years of age and older - First Class Scouts or Explorers. Registration is done by individuals with unit and district training chairman approval.

Junior Leaders' Instructor Camp, August 13 through August 26. This special camp is offered for those young men who serve as junior leaders in their respective troops and who wish to expand their knowledge and skills in the patrol method of camping, training and instructing skills and program planning. Instruction is by members of the Council Wood Badge Training team.

Don't miss this Owasippe adventure. Sign up now and join the fun in the water wonderland of Michigan.

SEASON'S GREETINGS

TRUTTER ANNOUNCES FIRST OPERATION REACH SEMINAR

John Trutter, Chairman of the Operation Reach Program, announced that the first Operation Reach Seminar will be held Friday, December 3 in Naperville. The purpose of the seminar is to train Explorer Advisors, Scoutmasters and key Scout and Explorers for the newly initiated drug-study program.

Drug abuse and other related topics are a major concern in today's society. With the growing availability of drugs to youths, usage becomes the individual decision of those boys confronted with the idea of experimenting with drugs, Trutter said. That's why Scouts and Explorers are now offered the opportunity to become involved in seeking out the truth about drug abuse. Through this program, boys will study the facts and fallacies about the different types of drugs in order to make their own decisions.

Five important goals were set up to aid in the direction of Operation Reach:

REACH for real highs instead of going for poor substitutes like drugs.

REACH for real friends and care deeply about them.

REACH for warm and open relations with my parents and friends.

REACH for understanding with myself by taking an open stand against drug abuse.

REACH others by telling them about Operation Reach.

This worthwhile program should be supported by a high attendance record at the seminar.

The entire Operation Reach program will need your support to insure success in 1972.



JOHN TRUTTER

ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION EXTENDED FOR ENTIRE MONTH

The entire month of February 1972 is proclaimed as the 62nd Anniversary Celebration of the Boy Scouts of America and Tuesday, February 8, as Anniversary Day of the nation's largest youth organization. All citizens, public and private institutions and business and industrial organizations are urged to join in this observance and to express their appreciation to those volunteer leaders who serve in the partner institutions and as members of the Chicago Area Council.

In 1971 the month-long celebration was initiated in order to describe more accurately the yearly observance and so that local packs and troops have an entire month to schedule meetings and other events.

A special emphasis during the Anniversary Celebration of the Boy Scouts of America is "to deeply involve" boys in their school, church and community.

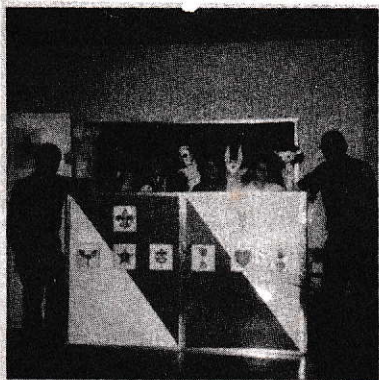
The second year of Project SOAR (Save Our American Resources) will be launched during the anniversary celebration. This year-round Conservation Good Turn will build on the 1971 project which involved 6 million boys and leaders in cooperation with community, state, federal and civic organizations and agencies.

McCORMICK PLACE HOSTS CHRISTMAS TREE CONTEST

Holiday season means a Christmas tree contest decorated with all the ornaments of fun, excitement and rewards. Each district in the Chicago Area Council is invited to compete in a tree decorating contest held at McCormick Place. The purpose of the contest is to give more exposure of the Scouting program to the general public.

Trees will be decorated on Saturday, December 11, and Sunday, December 12, and displayed in the lobby of McCormick Place for the performance of the NUTCRACKER SUITE.

Each tree should be decorated around a central theme and prizes will be rewarded to the top three. First place will receive \$150, second place will receive \$100 and third place \$50.



Troop 892, Lakeview District, displays their talent in their Annual Christmas Puppet Show for hospitalized children.

BOY SCOUT COMMEMORATIVE FUND IS "A LIVING GIFT"

The Boy Scout Commemorative Fund is a means of remembering others by expressing a tribute in a dignified manner when an occasion of kindness or heart-felt wishes demands more than the ordinary gift.

These special wishes expressed through the fund establish a living memorial of continuing significance while helping also to build character and high ideals in the lives of boys.

This thoughtful expression can comfort and honor a family or friend by establishing a living memorial with added assurance that the gift will be wisely used, in their name, to further the good works of local Scouting.

Scouting friends can add to the happiness of a new Eagle Scout, birthday, anniversary or other occasion by honoring them with this special tribute. An appropriate card will be sent to the person or family notifying them of the honor. No sum is mentioned. The individual or group making the contribution receives an official card of thanks confirming the receipt of their contribution.

Those wishing to contribute may send a check in any amount to the Chicago Area Council Commemorative Fund along with specification of the event you wish remembered. Be sure to include your name and address as well as the name and address of the individual you wish to recognize.

Support worthwhile adventures in the lives of boys by remembering the Commemorative Fund.

COMMEMORATIVE FUND

The following memorials were recently established:

IN MEMORY OF:

Harry W. Graff
Julian Graff
Mrs. Clair M. Roddewig
Joseph R. Klein
Charles Marth
Joseph R. Klein
Harry W. Graff
Betty and Jeanette Schneider
Willard G. Rouse
Harold and Margaret Imus

GUIDELINES FOR SUCCESSFUL DISPLAY

If one of your three projects will be a window display, there are certain guidelines that should be followed. It is advisable to set up displays in local business establishments by February 1 and have them run through the 29th. A sign, identifying the unit and sponsor should be prominently displayed. Why not follow these suggestions:

- Be certain that the display tells why the Scout do the activity being portrayed and how it fulfills Scouting's objectives. This can also apply to an action display.
- Boys should be invited to join Scouting.
- Displays should not be overcrowded.
- Use as many colorful devices as possible as well as photos.

ADULT REGISTRATION FEES AND BOYS' LIFE FEES

Be prepared! There will be an increase in the adult registration fee to \$2.50, effective September 1, 1972.

This increase is partially caused by the increase in the production costs of Scouting Magazine.

The membership subscription rate of Boys' Life will be increased from \$2 to \$2.50. The non-Scout rate will increase from \$4 to \$5.

HISTORY IN NUMBERS

The success of our membership goal has been no less than outstanding and by the end of this month, the Chicago Area Council will soar to 80,000 registered boys. Our fall roundup, "Help the Odds," along with school surveys, rally nights and unit leaders' troop activities have proven to be an unbeatable combination to top our previous 77,100 membership.

COUNCIL CALENDAR

DECEMBER

- 3 Operation Reach Regional Seminar
Naperville Manufacturer's Lunch-o-ree
- 6 Leadership Training Committee
- 8 Eagle Recognition Dinner
Health & Safety Committee
- 13-19 (Hanukkah)
- 14 Operation SOAR Committee
- 16 Executive Board
- 24 (Office Closed)
- 25 (Christmas)
- 27 Executive Committee
Order of the Arrow
- 28 Order of the Arrow Lodge Banquet
- 31 (Office Closed)

JANUARY

- 1 (New Year's Day)
- 3 Coordinating Staff
Leadership Training Committee
- 5 Lodge Advisory Meeting
Order of the Arrow
- 6 Advancement Committee
- 22 Council Annual Business Meeting
and Recognition Dinner
- 24 Commissioner's Cabinet
- 26 Executive Committee
Executive Committee, Order of the Arrow
- 27 Instructors' Training Course

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INCREASING THE ODDS by Joe Klein

With the close of 1971, I'd like to take time out personally to extend warm wishes of the holiday season to all of you. This year gives us something to cheer about—SUCCESS. And it couldn't have happened without the dynamic forces of the people of our council.

Everyone can take pride in our achievements. Late in this month we will reach our highest membership history. . . . 80,000 boys. Boys in every neighborhood of our council have had the opportunity to experience the great Scouting program in Chicagoland.

Over 7,000 Scouts and leaders enjoyed a great summer at Owasippe Scout Reservation. Thousands of Cub Scouts participated in our day camp at Kiwanis Scout Camp this past summer. Boys traveled to Japan and experienced the thrill of a World Jamboree. And, of course, thousands of boys participate in programs made possible by you.

We should be extremely pleased with the tremendous involvement of our business community who supported the council the way it knows best—by raising money.

We can all be please with the great success we're experiencing with the Scoutmobile.

I thank all of you and congratulate you on the greatest year in Chicago Area Council history. With your display of enthusiasm and conviction from this past year, our council has become a vital and moving force for good and 1972 will be greater.

TWO SITES PLANNED FOR 1973 NATIONAL JAMBOREE

Pennsylvania? or Idaho? That's the choice Scouts from this area will have to make in 1973 if they wish to attend the 8th National Jamboree of the Boy Scouts of America.

In a departure from tradition, the Boy Scouts of America will be holding a National Jamboree at two separate locations at the same time.

The eastern and western sites will be Moraine State Park near Butler, Pa., and Farragut State Park near Coeur d'Alene, Idaho. The Pennsylvania site is located 35 miles north of Pittsburgh. Farragut State Park was the site of the 1967 XIII World Jamboree and the Boy Scouts of America's 7th National Jamboree in 1969.

Both jamborees will be held in late July or early August 1973 and 40,000 Scouts and leaders are expected to attend each jamboree.

EARN A PARTICIPATION CERTIFICATE

Any unit may earn a Scout week participation certificate by completing any three projects listed on the accompanying form.

PATRICK HENRY SALUTES WINNERS

Congratulations to the following young men who presented top-notch speeches and superior speaking abilities at the Operation Patrick Henry public speaking competition October 30 and November 6. The winners read as follows:

- First place: Dan Touhy, Troop 803, Portage District
- Second place: Prince Qualls, Troop 501, Lake Shore District
- Third place: Bob Broda, Troop 803, Portage District
- Fourth place: Dan Dukobratovich, Troop 2993, Calumet District
- Fifth place: Jeff Gail, Troop 803, Portage District

These boys were selected from approximately 100 other boys. Dan Touhy was presented an engraved gavel for his outstanding achievement and engraved plaques were presented to Prince Qualls, Bob Broda, Dan Dukobratovich and Jeff Gail.

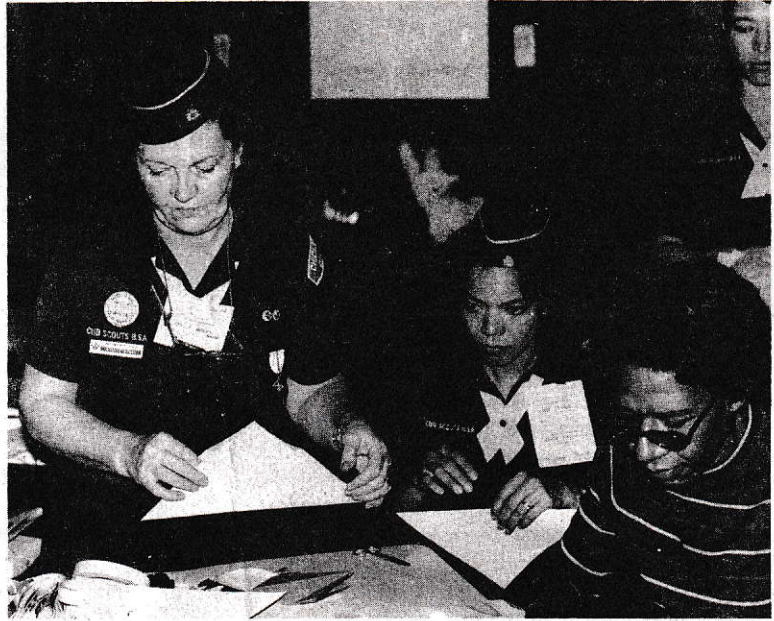
PLAN TO ATTEND THE ANNUAL MEETING

The Annual Meeting will be held on Saturday, January 22, at the Conrad Hilton Hotel, with the Annual Business Meeting at 5:15 p.m. and the Recognition Dinner at 6:30 p.m. District chairmen and institutional representatives are urged to attend this Annual Business Meeting.

For the first time, the Chicago Area Council will make a presentation of the Silver Fawn Award for noteworthy service of exceptional character to boyhood by a registered lady Scouter within the territory under the jurisdiction of this council.

The Silver Beaver Award will also be presented for noteworthy service of exceptional character to boyhood by a registered Scouter within the territory of the Chicago Area Council.

Judge Otto Kerner announced that the \$10 per person dinner tickets are now on sale. District Scouters may purchase them from their district chairman or district executive. Tickets are available at the Scout executive's office for members of the Executive Board.



Cub Scout leaders received training in Cubbing skills at the November Pow Wow held at McCormick Place. This was the largest Pow Wow ever in the Chicago Area Council, hosting 1,700 leaders.

FILL OUT AND RETURN TO COUNCIL SERVICE CENTER BY FEBRUARY 25. BOY SCOUT WEEK - 1972

(Pack, Troop, Post)..... District.....

Sponsor.....

Our unit participated in Boy Scout Week - 1972 by doing the following:

- Parents' Night or Blue and Gold Dinner Uniform Day - February 8
- Scout Sunday or Scout Sabbath Services Action/Window Display
- Good Turn for Sponsoring Institution Community Good Turn
- Other

Location of Display (if any).....

Leader..... Phone.....

Address..... Zip

DISTRICT CALENDAR

DECEMBER

10,11,12 Boy Scout Adult Training
14 Christmas Party Roundtable
25 Christmas Day

JANUARY

1 Happy New Year
4 Order of the Arrow
Chapter Meeting
11 Commissioner's Meeting

ROUNDTABLE CHRISTMAS PARTY

* Note change of date to Tuesday
December 14 and also change of place
to St. Augustine's.

Everyone should bring a \$1 gift to the
roundtable. Santa Claus promises to drop
in that evening.

We will have some special presentations
made at this event and some special
recognitions. You should plan to be
present.

JOYOUS HOLIDAYS

As we approach this holiday season it is
time to reflect and look forward at the
same time. Many good events were held
in the district and participation was good.
Many boys were given the opportunity to
fill many of their desires of participation.
The participation was good because you
took the time Mr. Adult Leader and
Mrs. Den Leader or you Mr. or Mrs. Unit
Committeeman to see to it that your
unit participated. I hope that in the coming
programs, more unit adults will make the
effort to participate. Now is the time to
make your resolutions.

ROUNDUP

At this time we still need 450 new regis-
tered boys in the district. A few units have been
out recruiting very well but many have been sit-
ting on their hands.

If each unit would recruit or register 5 boys
each, we would make our goal. That means a
few will need to get 10 because some won't
get 5. As you bring each new boy to join your
unit you increase the odds on helping him to
achieve in his formative years. He might be your
next Eagle. Don't forget to recruit his parents.

Stockyard has made its membership goal each
year. Let's continue making the goal. A good
date to strive for on achievement of goal is
December 15.

BOY SCOUT ADULT TRAINING...

will take place at Valley View Training Center on
December 10,11,12.

Here's a chance for the untrained adult to get
the know-how of improving unit programs
and how to improve your unit. Recruit a
dad and bring him along. You will only need to
bring your own personal gear, a tent, plate, cup
and knife, fork and spoon.

Cost for the weekend is \$5 for food.

So that we can plan on your attendance, call
Ed Parlinec at his home phone, WA5-3593.

CUB LEADERS TRAINING

Barb Ryan and her trainer just completed a
great training course with 25 people present.

CONGRATULATIONS

Troop 426 presented Eagle badges to
Clifford Radatz and Charles Schuchart.
Congratulations Scoutmaster Art Weitendorf.

New Advancement Chairman Art Weitendorf
has accepted the chairmanship of this very
important committee.

Annual Meeting chairmanship has been accepted
by Harold Baker of Pack 3994.

FINANCE

Leonard Miska has accepted the responsibility
of Stockyard District Campaign Chairman.

The Scout Family and Door-to-Door Chairman-
ship has been accepted by William Erickson. He
has recieved confirmation from the following
Vice Chairman Tony Hefli, Barb Ryan and
Bonnie Vody.